

Introduction to CSREES Integrated Competitive Programs





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CSREES

Cooperative
State
Research
Education
Extension
Service





OUR MISSION

To advance knowledge for agriculture, the environment, human health and well-being, and communities.



CSREES Portfolio of Funding Mechanisms

Formula Funding

Congressional Line Items

Competitive Programs





n t e g r a t e d Research

Education

Extension

To bring the three components of the agricultural knowledge system (research, education, and extension) around a problem area or issue



What does optimal integration look like?

Research, extension, and education components complement one another and are truly necessary for the ultimate success of the project



Research: What are the knowledge gaps?

Research should fill knowledge gaps that are critical to the development of practices and programs that will address the problem



Education: How will the next generation be trained?

Education should strengthen institutional capacity and curricula and train the next generation of scientists, educators, practitioners, and citizens



Extension: How will information be delivered to help the target audience make more informed decisions?

Extension should lead to measurable documented changes in learning, actions, or conditions in an identified audience or stakeholder group



Integrated Project Characteristics

Stakeholder Driven

Problem Focused

Outcome Oriented





Potential Outcomes/Impacts

Short-Term
Learning
Awareness
Knowledge
Skills
Opinions
Aspirations

Medium

Action

Behavior

Practices

Decisions

Policies

Social Action

Long-Term
Conditions
Human
Economic
Civic
Environmental



Knowledge Continuum for Research, Education, and Extension

Research

Filling gaps in knowledge



Education

Training the next generation



Dissemination of knowledge for decision-making



CSREES Integrated Programs

Section 406 Integrated, Research, Education, and Extension Competitive Grants Program



Methyl Bromide Transitions

Integrated Organic Program









CSREES Integrated Programs

Pest Management Alternatives Program

International Science and Education Competitive Grants Program

Specialty Crop Research Initiative

Agriculture and Food Research Initiative Integrated Programs

15 program areas will support integrated projects in FY 2009











Integrated Research
Education, and
Extension Competitive
Grants Program
(Section 406)





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Authorized in Section 406 of the Agricultural Research, Extension and Education Reform Act of 1998 (AREERA).

Provides funding for integrated, multifunctional agricultural research, education, and extension activities.



Eligible Institutions

Colleges and universities, University research foundations, 1994 Land-Grant Universities, and Hispanic-serving agricultural colleges and universities

Matching if commodity specific

Indirect costs capped at 22%



Appropriations

2000	\$39.54
2001	41.85
2002	42.85
2003	44.23
2004	39.55
2005	43.06
2006	42.29
2007	42.29
2008	41.99



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National Integrated Food Safety Initiative \$14.6 M for FY 2008

National Integrated Water Quality Program

\$12.6 M for FY 2008

Integrated Pest Management: Crops at Risk

\$1.3 M for FY 2008

Integrated Pest Management: Risk Avoidance & Mitigation

\$4.1 M for FY 2008



Integrated Pest Management: Regional Pest Management Centers

No competition in FY 2009

Methyl Bromide Transitions

\$3 M for FY 2008

Integrated Organic Program

Organic Transitions

\$1.8 M for FY 2008

Organic Agriculture Research and Extension Initiative \$17.3 M for FY 2009



Pest Management Alternatives Program

Develop and implement IPM practices, tactics and systems for specific pest problems while reducing human and

\$1.4 M for FY 2008

environmental risks



International Science and Education Competitive Grants Program

Support research, extension, and teaching activities that will enhance the capabilities of American colleges and universities to conduct international collaborative research, extension, and teaching

\$2.5 M for FY 2009



Specialty Crop Research Initiative

Established to solve critical industry issues through research and extension activities.

\$28.4 M for FY 2008

\$47.3 M for FY 2009





Specialty Crop Research Initiative

Five Focus Areas:

Plant breeding, genetics, and genomics

Identify and address threats from pests and diseases

Production efficiency, productivity, and profitability

New innovations and technology

Methods to prevent, detect, monitor, control, and respond to potential food safety hazards









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Authorized in Section 7406 of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (*i.e.*, the 2008 Farm Bill)

AFRI is a new competitive grant program to provide funding for fundamental and applied research, extension, and education to address food and agricultural sciences.



Fundamental and Applied Research

Extension

Education

Integrated Research, Extension, and/or Education



Authorized for appropriation of \$700 million for each of fiscal years 2008 through 2012

No less than 30% will be made available for integrated programs



Of funds allocated for research:

No less than 40% made available for applied research

No less than 60% made available for fundamental research

No less than 30% for multi-disciplinary teams

No more than 2% for equipment grants



Two different eligibilities provided in the Farm Bill:

"Section 406 eligibility" for integrated programs

"AFRI eligibility" for non-integrated programs

Eligibility implemented at the program level

All AFRI programs are designated as "integrated" or "non-integrated"



Integrated Eligibility

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Multi-functional: Integrated Research, Education, and/or Extension Grants

Single Function: Research, Education, or Extension Grants

Conference Grants

Food and Agricultural Science Enhancement Grants (FASE; restricted eligibility)

Coordinated Agricultural Project Grants (CAP)



Conference Grants

Support scientific meetings that bring together scientists to identify research, education, or extension needs, update information, or advance an area of science

Not expected to exceed \$10,000 and are not renewable, indirect costs are not allowed

Contact the National Program Leader for the applicable program



Food and Agricultural Science Enhancement Grants (FASE)

Post-Doctoral Fellowship Grants

New Investigator Grants

Strengthening Grants

Sabbatical

Equipment

Seed

Strengthening Standard



Food and Agricultural Science Enhancement Grants (FASE)

Post-Doctoral Fellowship Grants

Limited to \$125,000 for a two-year duration and are not renewable

Funds for salary support, other expenditures (e.g., supplies, travel, and publication) are allowed

New Investigator Grants

<5 years postgraduate, career-track experience and has not received competitively awarded Federal research funds



Food and Agricultural Science Enhancement Grants (FASE)

Strengthening Grant Eligibility

Small and mid-sized schools, Experimental Program for Stimulating Competitive Research (EPSCoR) states, and minority-serving institutions

Limited institutional success



Food and Agricultural Science Enhancement Grants (FASE)

Sabbatical Grants

Limited to one year of salary and funds for travel and supplies and are not renewable

Equipment Grants

Limited to one major piece of equipment within the cost range of \$10,000-\$250,000

Amount requested shall not exceed 50 percent of the cost or \$50,000

Matching funds with non-Federal funds



Food and Agricultural Science Enhancement Grants (FASE)

Seed Grants

Limited to a total of \$150,000 for two-years and are not renewable

Strengthening Standard Grants

Use strengthening set-aside funds for meritorious standard proposals that fall below the funding cutoff limit



Integrated Coordinated Agricultural Project Grants (CAP)



Designed to target specific gaps or make rapid progress on high priority areas

Large Awards – \$3 million plus

May be research or integrated

Significant % of flexible funding



Key Points for Integrated Projects:

Applications must provide the elements of a logic model (e.g., activities, outputs, and outcomes)

Narrative form or Logic Model Chart

Applications must contain objectives for each function (research, education, and/or extension) included in the project



Key Points for Integrated Projects:

Must budget sufficient resources to carry out the set of research, education, and/or extension activities

No more than 2/3 on a single function

Must include individuals on the project team with significant expertise in each component of the project



Six Priority Areas:

Plant Health and Production and Plant Products

Animal Health and Production and Animal Products

Food Safety, Nutrition, and Health



Six Priority Areas:

Renewable Energy, Natural Resources, and Environment

Agriculture Systems and Technology

Agriculture Economics and Rural Communities



Plant Health and Production and Plant Products

Protection of Managed Bees CAP (\$3 M)

Plant Biosecurity (\$4.3 M)*

Applied Plant Genomics CAP (\$10 M)

Plant Breeding and Education (\$6.5 M)

*Integrated and Extension-only projects requested



Animal Health and Production and Animal Products

Animal Biosecurity CAP (\$0 in 2009; \$4M in 2010)

Integrated Solutions for Animal Agriculture (\$4 M)





Food Safety, Nutrition, and Health

Food Safety and Epidemiology: Epidemiological Approaches for Food Safety (\$4.5 M)

Human Nutrition and Obesity (\$11 M; \$1 M extension-only)*

*Integrated and Extension-only projects requested



Renewable Energy, Natural Resources, and Environment



Air Quality (\$5.8 M)*

Biology of Weedy and Invasive Species in Agroecosystems (\$4.6 M)

Managed Ecosystems (\$4.5 M)

Sustainable Agroecosystems Science and Long-Term Agroecosystem Program (\$1 M)

*Integrated and Extension-only projects requested



Agricultural Economics and Rural Communities

Agricultural Prosperity for Small and Medium-sized Farms (\$4.8 M)

Rural Development (\$0 in 2009; \$4.6 M in 2010)





Integrated Programs Solve Today's Problems

